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The Honorable Robert C. Byrd
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Byrd:

I am responding to your letter of 16 February 1978 regarding [redacted] As you indicate, [redacted] is employed in the Operations Directorate and is scheduled to be retired on 30 March 1978 as a result of the position/personnel reduction underway in the Operations Directorate in this and the next fiscal year.

[redacted] has been a good performer for the Agency and has certain specialized skills which he has effectively used during his current assignment on the Counterintelligence Staff. In implementing this reduction it has been necessary to separate officers at all grade levels, many of whom have been and are also very capable performers. [redacted] has been a GS-13 since 1957 and, under the formula used to identify officers for separation, he was ranked low among his GS-13 peers and thus was marked for separation.

[redacted] is eligible to retire now under the Agency retirement system as he has over 34 years of Federal Service beginning in September 1943. He has been scheduled for mandatory retirement in December 1978 and while under normal circumstances would have been permitted to remain until that time in accord with his personal desires, the needs of the Agency in the reduction process dictate the requirement for his retirement prior to that date.

I thank you for your interest and hope that we have addressed your concerns.

Yours sincerely,
/s/ Stansfield Turner

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